

c 1600

Scottish mathematician
John Napier (1550 - 1617)
invented the DECIMAL POINT
in connection with his
development of Napierian
logarithms which required
long decimal fractions

c1500 AD

After invention of printing
Even in Greek & Latin there was
no uniform text until the
invention of printing

1600

The SEAMAN'S KALENDAR, published in England by John Tapp was perhaps the first reliable almanac published for mariners.

AD/600

The French overseas empire dates
from 1600. (Canada)

1600 A.D.

Two ideas sprang up that transformed human existence; naturalism and experimental science. Both are so pervasive nowadays that it is hard to imagine a world without nation-states or scientific laboratories. Yet in 1600 anyone could work or fight for an alien regime with no sense of treachery, and traders and scholars moved about freely even in time of war. Equally, it was a

world inhabited by spirits and demons.